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Applicant:	Jennifer Q. Trelewicz)
Serial No.:	09/993,188	<u> </u>
iled:	November 14, 2001) Group Art) Unit: 2625
or:	RASTER DATA COMPRESSION APPRATUS AND METHOD)
Examiner:	Scott A. Rogers	,))

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 13, 2006, with respect to the restriction requirement.

ELECTION

The Applicant elects group I, Claims 1-11, and 19-27.

The Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement because Applicant does

not believe that a separate search would be required. Additionally, the Examiner has not shown

how the invention of group I can be used independent of the invention of group II. While there

may be inconsequential differences in the way someone would employ the two inventions,

Applicant believes that in order to use the invention of group II someone would have to

substantially follow the procedure and use the structure of group I and visa versa. For these

reasons Applicant believes that restriction requirements should be withdrawn.

If any impediments to the prompt allowance of the claims can be resolved by a telephone

conversation, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned. \\

Respectfully submitted.

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